

REMARKS

Claims 1-6, 9, 14, and 16 have been amended. Claim 15 has been canceled. Claims 1-14 and 16-18 remain pending in the application. Reexamination and reconsideration are respectfully requested.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the allowance of claims 17 and 18.

Applicants further gratefully acknowledge the indicated allowability of claims 2-4, 6, 8, 10-12 and 14-15 if rewritten into independent form.

Accordingly, Applicants have amended claim 1 to incorporate that portion of allowable claim 2 which the Examiner indicated the prior art failed to disclose. As such, Applicants respectfully submit claim 1 is now in condition for allowance. Further, claims 2-3, and 5-8 depend from claim 1 and should also be in condition for allowance.

Regarding allowable dependent claim 4, Applicants have rewritten this claim into independent form including the limitations of the base claim. As such, claim 4 is also submitted to be in condition for allowance.

Regarding allowable claim 15, Applicants have now canceled this claim and incorporated its limitations into its base claim 9. As such, claim 9 is now submitted to be in condition for allowance. Further, claims 10-14 depend from claim 9 and are also submitted to be in condition for allowance.

Lastly, Applicants have amended independent claim 16 to incorporate in the navigation apparatus a portion of allowable claim 2, and in the update data

providing apparatus the limitations of allowable claim 15. Hence, Applicants' independent system claim 16 is submitted to now be in condition for allowance.

In view of the above amendments made with respect to the claims, and their indication of allowability, Applicants respectfully submit the prior art rejection of claims 1, 5, 7, 9, 13 and 16 as being obvious over Hirono (US 6,246,958) is moot.

For the foregoing reasons, Applicants submit claims 1-14 and 16-18 are now all in condition for allowance. An early notice to that effect is solicited.

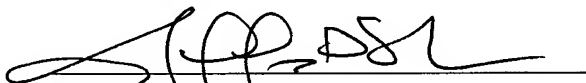
If there are any questions regarding this amendment or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

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If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #029267.57737US).

Respectfully submitted,

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